

Cape Lookout National Seashore
As of August 8, 2013

Management Activity

Routine monitoring of bird (Since March 15th) and sea turtle activity (May 1)

Closure Summary: Shoreline Closures to Motor Vehicles are seasonal or temporary.
(Except for Shackleford Banks, the swim beach closure from Ramp 41 to Ramp 42 and Power Squadron Spit west of the Jetty.)

In general the shoreline is open to pedestrians, exceptions will be posted. Boaters can expect interior bird closures, signed closed to all entry, at the inlets and points from April 1 to August 31. Boaters are encouraged to land within 0.25 mile of the inlets. This allows pedestrians to walk the inlet shoreline for access to the ocean shoreline

Bird Closures-

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 13a to ramp 12 is closed to motor vehicles for American Oystercatcher chicks, detour to the backroad is open.

Sea Turtle Closures-

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 44 to ramp 42b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 42a to ramp 41b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 40 to ramp 39 is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 36 to ramp 35b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 34 to ramp 32 is closed to motor vehicles For sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 27 to ramp 26b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 24 to Ophelia Inlet is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, there is no detour.

North Core Banks- The beach from mile 1.5 to mile 1.1 is closed to motor vehicles, there is no detour and access to Ocracoke Inlet is temporarily suspended.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 4a to ramp 5b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

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North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 7a to ramp 7b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 11a to ramp 11b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 15a to ramp 15b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

Recently re-opened

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 32 to ramp 31 is reopened to motor vehicles.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 38 to ramp 37b is reopened to motor vehicles.

Numbers are preliminary and the data will be reviewed before finalized

North Core Banks numbers include middle core section.

Piping Plover Summary: June 1-9 Census= 43 pairs & 2 singles for the seashore

South Core Banks-	10 pairs, 13 nests to date, 0 active nest, 0 broods, 13 fledglings
North Core Banks-	33 pairs, 39 nests to date, 0 active nests, 0 broods, 34 fledglings
Shackleford Banks-	0 pairs, 0 nests

American Oystercatcher Summary:

South Core Banks-	47 nests to date, 0 active nest, 0 broods, 12 fledglings
North Core Banks-	50 nests to date, 0 active nest, 0 broods, 13 fledglings
Shackleford Banks-	8 nests to date, 0 active nests, 0 broods, 0 fledglings

Colonial Waterbirds:

South Core Banks-	7 colonies to date
North Core Banks-	9 colonies to date
Shackleford Banks-	0

Wilson's Plover: June 1-9 Census= 91 pairs, 10 singles

Seashore Sea Turtle Nesting Activity to date:

North Core Banks-	150 activities, 65 nests, 3 possible nests, 82 false crawls
South Core Banks-	169 activities, 89 nests, 3 possible nests, 77 false crawls
Shackleford Banks-	29 activities, 21 nests, 2 possible nests, 6 false crawls

Seashore Total- 348 activities, 175 nests, 8 possible nests, 165 false crawls